

# Symbolism

Symbolism is using one thing (a symbol) to stand for or represent something else.

A symbol can be anything that stands for something else. Symbols are everywhere!!! Symbols can represent feelings, math, countries, religions, people, sports, or words. Authors use symbols to represent ideas in their writing.

Some Common Symbols:



Draw 5 symbols including what the symbols represent.

Symbols in writing...

She never spoke as she slid across the room. Her eyes narrowed as she stepped pass the dinner table. No one dared to look her in the eyes now. The crowded room parted to allow the woman in red to pass by. The whole room grew quiet. The only sound was her red dress swishing as a warning to those in her path.

What might the color red symbolize in this example: \_\_\_\_\_

The air grew cold as the black night set in. The young man began to panic. He must stay warm some how. As he looked through the snow covered hills he began to understand... there was no escape. As this thought became clear the shadow of night surrounded him into a deep sleep.

What might the "shadow of night" mean? \_\_\_\_\_